So, You Have Your ESSER III Funds... Now What??

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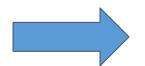


Session Overview

- Elementary and Secondary School Emergency Relief (ESSER) III timeline updates.
- 20% Evidence-based Intervention Strategies (EBIS) requirement details.
- Planning and implementation resources.
- Preview of what's to come.



American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) ESSER III Timeline



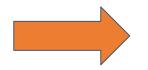
Late August 2021
DPI Submits State Plan
to United States
Department of
Education (U.S.D.E.)



Oct/Nov 2021
DPI Receives Plan
Approval and ESSER III
Funds



Nov 2021
DPI Opens WISEgrants
ESSER III Applications



Nov 2021-Sep 2024 DPI Reviews ESSER III Applications

Local Educational Agencies (LEAs) create plans and engage stakeholders for feedback LEAs submit local ESSER III plans and budget in WISEgrants

LEAs implement local ESSER III plans

ARPA ESSER III LEA Requirements

Period of Performance: March 13, 2020 - September 30, 2024

Federal rules require LEAs to:

- Develop and post a Safe Return to In-Person Instruction and Continuity of Services plan.
- Develop a plan for ESSER III funds based on local stakeholder engagement.
- Reserve 20% of funds for Evidence Based Improvement Strategies.
- Ensure Maintenance of Equity to high poverty schools.
- Ensure all costs charged to ESSER III prepare for, respond to, or prevent COVID-19.



EBIS Requirements



Use a Minimum of 20% of ESSER III Allocation to Fund EBIS to Address Unfinished Learning

An opportunity to address student needs by changing systems and practices to improve student learning.

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How do you select EBIS?

- Based on student need and the likelihood or evidence that an EBIS aligns with those needs and desired outcomes.
- USDE has identified 4 tiers of evidence for EBIS and you may select an EBIS that meets any of the 4 tiers. (See guidance at https://dpi.wi.gov/arp/esser-iii)
- Not necessarily programs you buy.

EBIS Requirements

The practice / intervention was studied in one of these ways to determine effectiveness with students:

- 1. Randomized, control research design.
- 2. Well-implemented, quasi-experimental research design.
- 3. Well-designed, well-implemented correlational study.
- 4. Promising practices with a well-designed logic model or well-designed theory of action.

Resources for Planning and Implementation

- Definition of tiers of evidence, examples of EBIS, and trusted sources for EBIS at https://dpi.wi.gov/arp/esser-iii
- LEAs will <u>select EBIS</u> in WISEgrants
 - Three categories: USDE suggested, DPI supported, Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Practice
 Guides
 - Or "other":
 - Name EBIS
 - Provide hyperlink to description or research
 - Select tier of evidence
 - If tier 4: Upload theory of action or logic model describing how LEA will implement selected EBIS
- LEAs will enter budget items that must connect to selected EBIS

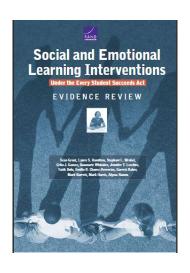
How will DPI help LEAs meet requirements?



Local ESSER III Plan

 Once an LEA's ESSER III application has been approved by DPI, WISEgrants will automatically generate a plan that LEAs can post on their website to meet the federal posting requirement

Social and Emotional Learning Resources



Examples/Guidance for Social and Emotional Learning:

- Rand's Social and Emotional Learning Interventions Under the Every Student Succeeds Act Evidence Review
- CASEL's Introduction to Evidence-Based programs that Build <u>SEL Competencies</u>
- CASEL's Selecting an Evidence-Based Program Guide

*Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning (CASEL)

Afterschool Programming Resources

- <u>Evidence Base for Summer Enrichment and Comprehensive Afterschool</u>
 <u>Opportunities</u> (Report providing overview of evidence base)
- Harnessing the Power of Afterschool and Summer Programs to Support
 Recovery and Reengagement (Research brief with guiding questions for planning)
- <u>Key Principles for Expanding Learning to Support Student Re-Engagement</u>
 (Resource intended for local, state and federal policy makers)
- Recognizing the Role of Research and Evidence in Out-of-School Time: Guide
 4, Strategies (Includes sample logic model)
- IES Practice Guide: <u>Structuring Out-of-School Time to Improve Academic</u>
 <u>Achievement</u> (Examples of specific practices backed by evidence)
- Wisconsin Afterschool Network (Local resource for afterschool programs)

Preview of What's to Come



- Additional resources for planning and implementation:
 - Template for logic model for tier 4 EBIS
- Additional grants to LEAs and CESAs through
 Wisconsin Motion 57
- Timeline for ESSER III WISEgrants application

ESSER III Resources

- DPI ESSER III webpage
- Submit questions to:
 - essergrants@dpi.wi.gov
 - ebissupport@dpi.wi.gov
- Guidance from US Department of

Education



Q&A



Thank You!!





